

Community Wildlife Habitat Certification Resources

Backyard Habitats

- MD Dept of Natural Resources, "[Wild Acres Program](#)"
- [National Audubon Society](#)
- National Wildlife Federation, "[Garden for Wildlife](#)"
- The National Wildlife Federation, "Gardening for Wildlife: How to Create a Beautiful Backyard Habitat for Birds, Butterflies, and Other Wildlife," Craig Tufts and Peter Loewer, St. Martin's Press, 1995. (Book available for examination at Croydon Creek Nature Center.)
- Douglas W. Tallamy, "Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens," Timber Press, Portland/London, 2007. (Book available for examination at Croydon Creek Nature Center.)
- Craig Tufts and Peter Loewer, "The National Wildlife Federation's Guide to Gardening for Wildlife: How to Create a Beautiful Backyard Habitat for Birds, Butterflies, and Other Wildlife," St. Martin's Press, 1995. (Book available for examination at Croydon Creek Nature Center)
- [USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service](#)

Sustainable gardening, water conservation and stormwater runoff

- [Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay publications](#)
- Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF): [Bay-Friendly landscaping](#)
- [Montgomery County RainScapes](#)
- [City of Rockville RainScapes](#)

Butterflies

- [Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection](#)
- [National Audubon Society](#)

Birds

- Cornell University, "[All About Birds](#)"
- [Bird Feeding Basics](#)

Bees

- MD Dept of Natural Resources, "[Creating a Wild Backyard – Bees](#)"
- [National Audubon Society](#)

Calendars of Local Events

- [City of Rockville Events and Activities](#)
- [Croydon Creek Nature Center calendar of events](#)
- [Montgomery County Rainscapes calendar of events](#)
- [Brookside Gardens calendar of special events](#)
- National Audubon Society [Birding Festivals and Events Calendar](#)

Native and non-native invasive plants

- [LBJ Native Plant Database](#)
Search on “Maryland” to learn about local native plants and plant conditions
- [The Maryland Native Plant Society](#)
- [City of Rockville Exotic and Invasive Plant List](#)
- Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, [Flora of the Washington-Baltimore area](#)
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service, [Bayscapes Conservation Landscaping Program](#)
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service, [Native Plants for Wildlife Habitat and Conservation Landscaping:Chesapeake Bay Watershed](#)
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Chesapeake Bay Field Office, [Bayscapes](#)
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service. Provides link to publication entitled, "[Plant Invaders of Mid-Atlantic Natural Areas.](#)"

Sources of native plants

- Montgomery County [list of nurseries carrying native plants](#)
- US Fish and Wildlife Service [list of nurseries carrying native plants](#)